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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Applicants: André SCHEELEN et al.

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Application No.: 09/115,229

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For: POLYETHYLENE-BASED COMPOSITION
AND PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURE
OF ARTICLES SHAPED FROM THE
COMPOSITION

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) AMENDMENT

June 18, 1999

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 18, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 8 and 9 as follows:

8. (Amended) In a [P]process for the manufacture of an [shaped]
article[s], the improvement comprising shaping said article from a [the] composition in
accordance with Claim 1.

9. (Amended) The [P]process for the manufacture of [shaped] articles
according to Claim 8, wherein said article is shaped by extrusion or injection.
[characterized in that it is applied to the extrusion of pipes, in particular pipes intended
for the transportation of pressurized fluids, or to the injection of pipe couplings.]

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